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TO: PRIORITY MINSK.

FROM: LIMIT C/CE/W/MB INFO C/CE/W/IS, C/CE/W

SLUGS: WNINTEL RYBAT GTDANCER

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE

REF: MINSK 14072 95 1207999

TEXT:

1. ACTION REQUIRED: INFORMATION BELOW PROVIDED AS BACKGROUND FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE AMBASSADOR.

2. WE RESEARCHED THE JYVAPOROUS PROMISE TO DELIVER FILES ON *<LEE HARVEY OSWALD.> WHILE NOT MUCH ON THIS SUBJECT IS REFLECTED IN THE FILES, WE DID COME UP WITH INFORMATION WHICH INDICATES THAT THAT MATTER WAS TURNED OVER TO THE FBI FOR ACTION. THE ORIGINAL OFFER WAS MADE BY JYVAPOROUS/1 (V/1) TO FORMER C/CE IN MAY 92. IN OCTOBER 1992, DC/CETF/W VISITED MINSK FOR FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSIONS WITH V/1 RE THIS AND OTHER SUBJECTS. THE FOLLOWING IS TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM THE TRIP REPORT:

* "WE OPENED THE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE TOPIC OF THE<LEE HARVEY> *<OSWALD>FILES, TELLING V/1 THE FBI IS PREPARING A LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER KEBICH, ASKING PERMISSION TO SEE THE FILE. V/1 BECAME IRRITABLE AND DEFENSIVE, SAYING THAT SINCE THE USG DID NOT DEIGN TO MAKE PUBLIC ALL MATERIAL PERTAINING TO ITS OWN INVESTIGATION OF *THE<KENNEDY ASSASSINATION>(THE WARREN REPORT), WHY SHOULD HE BE PRESSURED INTO SURRENDERING HIS FILE. WE SAID NO PRESSURE IS INVOLVED; WE ARE ONLY FOLLOWING UP ON HIS OFFER. STILL DEFENSIVE, HE STATED HE WOULD NOT ALLOW ACCESS TO THE RAW FILE, WHICH WOULD EXPOSE SOURCES AND METHODS USED TO SURVEIL AND INVESTIGATE OSWALD IN MINSK. HE OFFERED INSTEAD SUMMARIES CONTAINING THE RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION AND SURVEILLANCE, WHICH OSTENSIBLY WERE PREPARED AT THE TIME OF OSWALD'S STAY IN MINSK. HE WOULD ALLOW OUR "EXPERTS" (PRESUMABLY USG) TO EXAMINE THE DOCUMENTS CLOSELY AND TO CONFIRM THEIR AUTHENTICITY AND COMPLETENESS. HE HINTED THAT WE (NWBOLTAN REPRESENTATIVES) MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO LOOK A BIT INTO THE RAW FILE. WE SAID WE WOULD RELAY THIS TO OUR SUPERIORS, BUT EXPLAINED AGAIN THAT, DUE TO THE SENSITIVITY AMONG SOME AMERICANS *STEMMING FROM THEIR DISTRUST OF NWBOLTAN VIS A VIS THE<KENNEDY>

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*<ASSASSINATION,>WE COULD NOT UNILATERALLY HANDLE THE FILES -- THOUGH WE COULD HELP FACILITATE THEIR PASSAGE TO THE PROPER USG AUTHORITIES (THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT)."

3. V/1 THEN TOLD OUR C/O THAT THE FBI'S LETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SUPREME SOVIET VICE THE PRIME MINISTER AND WE AGREED TO SO INFORM THE FBI. THAT MEMO IS THE LAST INFORMATION WE HAVE ON THE MATTER. THERE IS NOTHING TO INDICATE THAT THE FBI DID INDEED SEND THE LETTER OR, IF IT WAS SENT, THAT THEY RECEIVED A REPLY TO IT. BECAUSE IT WAS PREVIOUSLY DETERMINED THAT THE FBI HAD PRIMACY IN THIS MATTER, IT IS OUR DETERMINATION THAT WE SHOULD NOT REQUERY JYVAPOROUS. WE HAVE ASKED OUR REP AT THE FBI TO CHECK (INFORMALLY) AS TO THE STATUS OF THEIR DIALOGUE WITH THE JYVAPOROUS AND WILL LET YOU KNOW AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE THE ANSWER. PLEASE ASSURE THE AMBASSADOR THAT HE WOULD LIKE US TO PURSUE THIS MATTER WITH THE FBI THROUGH OUR CHANNELS, WE WILL BE GLAD TO DO SO. REGARDS.

FILE: NONE. INDEX: NONE. DECL OADR DRV HUM 4-82.>

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